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1. A large Polish artillery range and encampment is located in the coastal area between Nieborze (Horst Seebad) on the west and Kolobrzeg (Kolberg) to the east, extending through Mrzezyno (Deep) and Wustrow.
2. The width of this area is at most points 10 kms from the sea. The area is at one point intersected by the Rega River and includes Kampen Lake.
3. The permanent administrative offices and command quarters are located at Mrzezyno (Deep), Wustrow, and Nieborze. Since 1947 the area has been under the command of a Polish officer, Major Leon Pileczuk. His headquarters were last reported at Wustrow.
4. During inspections and firing demonstrations the area is visited by a Soviet officer, General Grohotchynski. His headquarters are reported to be located at Wroclaw.
5. Installations within the area:
 - a. On the shore of Kampen Lake, near Wustrow, three former German hydroplane hangars have been rebuilt by the Poles and are now in use.
 - b. A short distance to the northwest of Wustrow there is located a usable landing strip for fighter planes.
 - c. The landing strips and airbase at Floty (Plathe), about 45 km. southwest of Kolobrzeg are being used by the Polish airforce in exercises with anti-aircraft units at the artillery range.
 - d. Large permanent-type barracks located near Wustrow are being used by the Polish units. These barracks were built by the Germans.
6. Artillery practice includes firing on targets towed by aircraft, targets dropped by parachute, targets towed on Kampen Lake and along the Baltic seacoast, and artillery practice on dummy tanks, trucks, etc.

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7. At the end of June 1949, the second training group of the year arrived at the range. These units were all anti-aircraft artillery and were scheduled to remain in the area through August 1949. This second concentration included the 83rd, 84th, and 86th anti-aircraft regiments of the 4th Corps, with headquarters at Wroclaw. These regiments were armed with 85 mm anti-aircraft artillery of Russian model. These anti-aircraft units were commanded by a Polish officer, Colonel Michael Zyliang.
8. The soldiers making up the anti-aircraft concentration at this time were of the classes of 1926 and 1927. Only a few older men were observed.

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